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**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG**

Personally appeared before me, a notary public in and for the State and County
aforesaid, Annette Haynie, who having been duly sworn according to law, deposes
and says that she is a Representative of the Spartanburg Herald-Journal, a newspaper
published in Spartanburg, South Carolina, and that the attached Legal ad
was published for 1 time(s) in the following issues:

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Annette Haynie
Annette Haynie

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This 29th day of July, 2013

Alice Annas
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Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires May 23, 2016

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THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CLERK'S OFFICE

DOCKET NO. 2013-199-WS

REVISED NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

United Utility Companies, Inc. ("United" or "Company") has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") for an adjustment of its rates and charges and modifications to certain terms and conditions for the provision of water and sewer service. The Application was filed pursuant to Title 58 of the South Carolina Code and S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240 and 10 S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-712.4 and 103-512.4. As justification for its proposed rate increase, United states that in order that it may provide reasonable and adequate service to its customers, cover its expenses, be permitted an opportunity to earn a reasonable return on its investment, and attract capital for future improvements, the proposed rate increase is necessary. The Applicant also requests the rate increase to comply with the standards and regulations set by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control and other environmental authorities. The Company proposes new rates in its Application, including, but not limited to the following: new charges to recover its costs of disconnecting its water and sewer customers from its facilities in certain circumstances; to recover its costs of repair of its water and sewer facilities which have been damaged by tampering; to recover its costs of pumping, repairing, and/or replacing its customer's interceptor tanks and for the installation of certain water meters; to increase its approved customer account charge to its new water and sewer customers; and to increase its approved notification fee charged in connection with a notice prior to disconnection of sewer services. The Company's proposed water and sewer tariffs also include late payment charges for any balance unpaid within twenty-five days (25) of the billing date to be assessed at one and one-half percent (1-1/2%) for each month, or any part of a month, that said payment is late.

THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE RATES AND CHARGES ARE SET FORTH BELOW

(The complete rate schedule is available from the Company at the address below and on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov)

| WATER | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monthly Charges | Current | Proposed |
| Residential (per single family house, condominium, mobile home, apartment unit) | | |
| <u>Residential</u> | | |
| Basic Facilities Charge | \$15.18 per unit | \$21.00 per unit |
| Commodity Charge | \$7.79 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft. | \$10.77 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft. |
| <u>Commercial</u> | | |
| Basic Facilities Charge | | |
| Per single family equivalent (SFE) | \$15.18 per SFE | \$21.00 Per SFE |
| Commodity Charge: | \$7.79 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft. | \$10.77 per 1,000 gallons or 134 cft. |
| <u>Non-Recurring Charges</u> | | |
| Water Meter - 5/8 inches x 3/4 meter | N/A | \$100.00 |
| Customer Account Charge (new customers only) | \$25.00 | \$ 30.00 |
| Reconnection Charges | \$35.00 | N/A |
| Disconnection Charges | N/A | \$ 40.00 |
| Tampering Charge | N/A | \$250.00 |
| SEWER | | |
| Monthly Charges | Current | Proposed |
| Residential - monthly charge | | |
| Per single-family house, condominium, villa, or apartment unit | \$53.50 per unit | \$83.39 per unit |
| Mobile Homes - monthly charge | \$39.46 per unit | \$61.51 per unit |
| Commercial - monthly charge | \$53.50 per SFE | \$83.39 per SFE |
| <u>Charge for Sewer Collection Only</u> | | |
| Residential - monthly charge per single-family house, condominium, mobile home or apartment unit | \$27.35 per unit | \$42.63 per unit |
| Commercial | | |
| Monthly Charge | \$27.35 Per SFE | \$42.63 Per SFE |
| Pumping Charge | N/A | \$150.00 minimum |
| <u>Non-Recurring Charges</u> | | |
| Notification Fee | \$6.00 | \$15.00 |
| Customer Account Charge | \$25.00 | \$30.00 |
| Reconnection Charges | \$250.00 | N/A |
| Disconnection Charges** | N/A | \$500.00 |
| **Where an elder valve has been previously installed, a disconnection fee of \$40.00 shall be charged | | |
| Tampering Charge | N/A | \$250.00 |

A copy of the Company's Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Clerk's Office, P. O. Drawer 11649, Columbia, South Carolina 29211. Additionally, UUC's Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, South Carolina on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before August 19, 2013, and indicate the amount of time required for his or her presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2013-199-WS.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Clerk's Office, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire, Terreni Law Firm, LLC and Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina, 29201 on or before August 19, 2013, and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2013-199-WS.

Any person who wishes to request a hearing in his or her county of residence should notify on or before August 29, 2013, in writing, the Clerk's Office at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire and Scott Elliott, Esquire, 1508 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. Please refer to Docket No. 2013-199-WS.

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Clerk's Office in writing at the address below on or before August 19, 2013. Please refer to Docket No. 2013-199-WS.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding MUST present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing. Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina

Attn: Clerk's Office

Post Office Drawer 11649

Columbia, SC 29211